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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

CATHY A. CATTERSON U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

JOON HO KIM,

Petitioner - Appellee

v.

JOHN ASHCROFT*, Attorney General,

Respondent - Appellant

No. 01-55152

D.C. No. CV-00-01759-BTM

MEMORANDUM**

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Southern District of California Barry T. Moskowitz, District Judge, Presiding

Submitted December 7, 2001***
Pasadena, California

Before: PREGERSON, TASHIMA and BERZON, Circuit Judges.

This court's decision in *Taniguchi v. Schultz*, 303 F.3d 950 (9th Cir. 2002) controls this case and precludes the habeas relief sought by Mr. Kim.

^{*} John Ashcroft is substituted for his predecessor, Janet Reno, as Attorney General of the United States. Fed. R. App. P. 43(c)(2)

^{**} This disposition is not appropriate for publication and may not be cited to or by the courts of this circuit except as provided by 9th Circuit Rule 36-3.

^{***} The panel unanimously finds this case suitable for decision without oral argument. Fed. R. App P. 34(a)(2).

REVERSED.